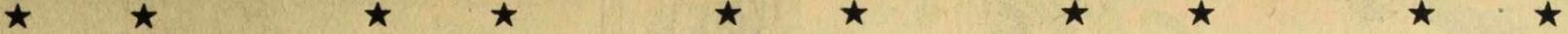
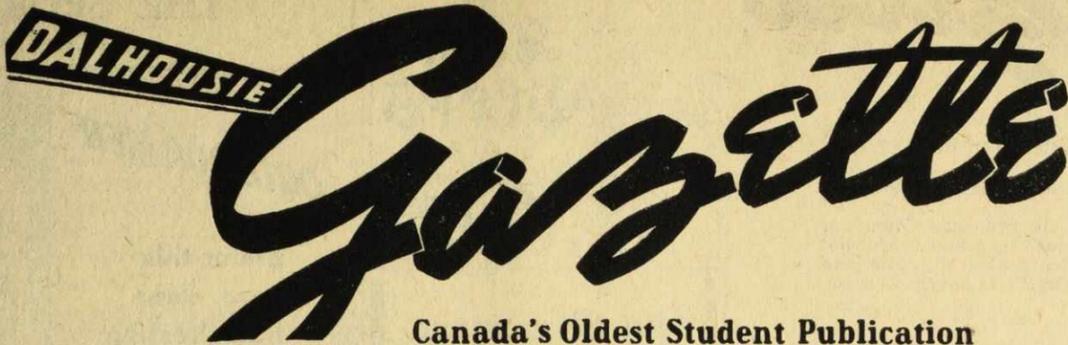


VETS MEETING APPROVES BRIEF FOR INCREASED GRANTS



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MARITIMES, WEST SECURE DEFEAT OF I. U. S. AFFILIATION PROPOSAL

Preparations Under Way in Glee Club for Play, Concert, Patience

Concert To Be Presented On January 18th and 19th

An evening of choral and orchestral music will be presented by the Glee and Dramatic Society of Dalhousie university in the gymnasium at 8.15 p.m., Jan. 18 and 19. The first night will be for a student audience, admission by student council card, and the second night will be a public performance.

As a dramatic solo, Eileen Cantwell will sing numbers from the role of Josephine in H.M.S. Pinafore. Coloratura soprano Jean Parker will sing the role of the plaintiff from Trial by Jury. A solo will be rendered by contralto Diane Parker.

Reynard Mitchell, violin soloist, and director of the Dalhousie concert orchestra will be one of the featured performers. He is a graduate of the Halifax Conservatory of Music and a former member of the Toronto Conservatory Orchestra.

Joyce Whittier and Phillip Hebb will present a piano duet.

The featured performance by the concert orchestra will be Mozart's Seraglio Overture.

The female chorus and the mixed chorus, under the direction of Noel Hamilton, will be heard during the program.

CCUF Endorses Plan For Student Grants

"Democratic management of this club is more important than adhering to party policy", said Bob Kaill, vice-president of the Dalhousie CCUF, at a meeting held in the Arts Bldg. Wednesday night. The club voted to increase its activities and take a more active in-

Results of Kingston Conference Discussed At Vets Meeting; Seek Increased Grants From Government

The meeting of the Dalhousie-King's Vets Association was held last Wednesday night with Bill Cox and Earle Urquhart on hand to report on the National Conference held at Kingston over the Christmas holidays.

A resolution asking for an increase in the basic training grants for the veterans at the Vets meeting held Wednesday evening. This was one of the resolutions made at the National Convention held at Kingston to be presented in Parliament. No definite amount was mentioned, but in view of the fact that other civil servants had received an increase of \$15 to \$20, it was felt that the vets deserved something.

From some of the suggestions made at the convention, Cox said that the veterans in Halifax are

"George Washington Slept Here"

BY ALF HARRIS

"Practice" is the watchword around the Glee Club these days. The Dalhousie concert orchestra is practicing regularly for their spring audition to be held in the gymnasium Jan. 18 and 19. From all reports the students can be prepared to hear a good program. The Dalhousie Girls Chorus will be heard on the same bill singing various ballads.

The members of the Dramatic Society are practicing every evening for the play "George Washington Slept Here". The cast includes many of the better-known dramatic artists on our campus: Art Hartling, George Flemming, Ken Phelps, John Trim, and Patty MacKinnon. Some of the newcomers include Glyn Yeomans, Alf Harris, Anita Simpson, Marnie Stevenson, Jan Sinclair and Lucy Colp.

Once again our college play will be under the able direction of Mr. Leslie Pigot.

Interest in campus activities affecting the student body as a whole. It was decided to support the DKSVA in its request for an increase in veterans' allowances. A program was drawn up for bringing in prominent speakers to discuss topics of current interest. The club endorsed the stand taken by Doctor Kerr in pressing for increased government grants for worthy students. The meeting adjourned after hearing a report on the CCUF national conference held during the holidays presented by George Leucks.

better off than other places. He illustrated his point by showing one resolution which asked that the veteran have his glasses changed under the Government and not have to pay for it himself. Apparently, this has always been done at Camp Hill.

It was also resolved that scholarships for the children of the war dead be started. This did not appear on the brief to Ottawa, but depends on each university. A pledge system would be used, whereby the veteran would redeem his pledge after some years.

A circular, the statistics of which will accompany the resolution asking for an increase, will be distributed to the veterans. It will show the increase in the cost of living, and all the vets are asked to get one.

"Forgotten Men" Work On Sets For Three Productions

BY CHARLES MACINTOSH

Those forgotten men of the Dal Glee Club, the Stage Crew, will soon begin work on the scenery for "George Washington Slept Here". There were five regular members on the Stage Crew to build the scenery for Macbeth. These were Jerry Pefhany, Stage Manager, Murray Fraser, Dave Parker, Dave Jamieson, and myself, Charles MacIntosh. There were four artists who helped paint scenery—Jerry Grant, Sheila MacDonald, Pearl Goodwin, and Betty Merrick. Two others, Muriel Ritchie and Edith Hills helped Franny Jubien, Vice-President of the Glee Club, with the monumental task of sorting out, fitting, mending, washing and keeping track of the costumes. Several other students helped these hard-pressed individuals in their spare time.

And yet on the program for Macbeth the members of the Stage Crew are not mentioned.

Gazette On Trial At Council Meet Tonight Lusher Resigns After 3 Years On Editorial Board

For the second time this year the Gazette goes on trial before the Students' Council at its meeting tonight in the Murray Homestead. Charges levelled at the Gazette editors of irresponsibility and destructiveness in their criticism at a meeting of the Executive have already led to the resignation of Jack Lusher, one of the Gazette's co-editors.

Mr. Lusher came to Dalhousie three years ago, and has been a member of the Gazette staff since then. In his freshman year he became Features Editor of the Gazette and was the founder of the Sam Peeps column, which appeared for the first time that year. Next year he was News Editor and co-Editor-in-Chief this year.

Council President, Russ McKinney announced late last night that tonight's meeting of the Students' Council may be held in the Chem Theatre in the Science Building instead of the Murray Homestead to accommodate a possible turnout of more spectators than the Homestead could seat.

Boilermaker's Ball Friday

The Nova Scotian Hotel will be the scene of another formal dance come Friday, January 21. This time, it will be the Engineers' Ball. Music will be provided by Les Single and his 15 piece orchestra.

Exchanges, National Sport, Summer Seminars Arranged at Montreal Nifcus Meeting

by Ross Hamilton

"How did the delegates feel as the Conference started?" "The delegates from all the major Canadian Universities came to the twelfth annual conference of the National Federation of Canadian University Students hoping that the federation would be able to prove the raison d'etre of its existence, and Bob Harwood, past President of Nifcus placed the responsibility for this proof on the shoulders of all Canadian university students and quoted the motto of the students of U.B.C. "TUUM EST"—it is up to you. We went to the University of Montreal looking for results and most delegates came away with a new enthusiasm for NFCUS as we recognized the possibilities of the Federation."

"Did the question of affiliation with the International Union of Students take up much of the Conference's time?" Many of the delegates felt that the relations of NFCUS with the IUS had overshadowed the last year's program and were fairly determined that this should not be the case for this year at least. For Nifcus must be strong at home before it endangers its existence by overt international activity. Some universities still wanted a renewed effort to get Nifcus working in IUS but by a vote of 10 to 7 a motion to this effect was defeated. The day following this discussion, by a vote of 10 to 5 it was decided to send two observers to the IUS General Assembly meeting this coming summer, the NFCUS executive to choose the observers, and the financing to be done outside the Federation's regular budget. The Maritimes as a block opposed renewed affiliation and were supported by UBC, U. of Alta., U. of Man., U. of Ottawa, and McMaster."

"If this was felt to overshadow the past year's effort, did NFCUS do anything to merit future support this past year?"

"Why yes, the Federation did quite a lot. Let's enumerate just what it has done this past year. It has justified its existence as a National organization formed to speak and act on behalf of Canadian students.

(1) The National Conference of Canadian Universities has endorsed and is actively furthering the formation of a Dominion Intercollegiate Athletic Union. Nifcus started this ball rolling.

(2) The first National Debating Final took place in 1948 sponsored by the National Debating Union. This latter Union was formed at the 1947 NFCUS Conference at Winnipeg.

(3) A few inter-regional student exchanges were effected through NFCUS this year. This plan needs more publicity.

(4) NFCUS is supporting ISS in the scheme for Reconstruction Scholarships. It is hoped that this plan will be supported by all Canadian Universities and by agencies outside the University.

(5) The Unemployment Insurance Commission was approached regarding a rebate for unemployment Insurance Premiums paid in by students working during the vacation periods. The Commission declined to alter its regulations.

(6) The American Federation of Musicians were approached regarding the use of amateur musical talent on non-commercial university radio broadcasts. No decision has yet been reached with this body.

(7) The proposed film based on Canadian Universities to be made by the National Film Board is high

on their list for 1949-50 although the Board seems harassed by financial shortages.

Editor's Note: Unfortunately the length of Mr. Hamilton's report prevented us from printing it in its entirety. The remainder of the report should be continued next week.

Letters To The Editor

Letter To The President Of The Students' Council

Dear Mr. McKinney,

During recent weeks there has been considerable criticism, both official and otherwise, levelled by members of the Students' Council against the practices and policies of the Editors of the Dalhousie Gazette.

This situation climaxed recently with the censuring and subsequent resignation of one of the Editors. Certain other writers have since resigned as a sequel. Charges and counter-charges have been numerous with personalities entering into the controversy at certain stages.

In view of the above, it is the opinion of the writer that the Students' Council would not be in a position to give an unbiased hearing to the Editors at the meeting proposed for Friday night.

Therefore, it is strongly urged that a Students' Forum be summoned and an independent Committee be elected to investigate the circumstances. An examination should be carried out of all copies of the Gazette published during the present Editors' term of office and a report submitted along with recommendations of whatever action is deemed warranted.

Yours sincerely,
BOB KAILL